

CULVER, BRALEY ANNOUNCE \$6 MILLION IN DISASTER AID

DES MOINES -- Governor Chet Culver and Congressman Bruce Braley today announced more than \$6 million in federal and state funds have been identified and are in final approval for disaster recovery efforts in Delaware and Butler county. These funds are part of the effort to help rebuild infrastructure following the historic floods of 2008.

"While recovering from last year's disasters takes time, we are continuing to make progress in our efforts to rebuild this state," said Governor Culver. "These funds will help not only help Delaware and Butler Counties in their recovery, but also help us build a stronger, safer Iowa."

"I'm glad to announce this funding to help Iowans continue the recovery from last year's disastrous floods," said Congressman Braley. Together with Governor Culver and the Iowa delegation, we will keep working to get Iowans the help and resources they need to rebuild."

FEMA and the State have approved these projects:

\$4,596,405 to the Lake Delhi Recreation Area in Delaware County to remove silt and sediments deposited in the lake following the floods of 2008. Because of the Governor's and Congressman's efforts to have FEMA pay 90% of the cost, the recreation area will save the local match of \$689,460. State funds will be used for the remaining 10 percent.

\$1,481,224 to city of Greene in Butler county to replace the Greene Community Center, North 1st Street and East Dow Street. Because of the Governor's and Congressman's efforts to have FEMA pay 90% of the cost, the city will save the local match of \$696,293. State funds will be used for the remaining 10 percent.

These projects are part of an expected 12,500 projects that will be identified under the State/FEMA Public Assistance Program designed to help public and certain non-profit agencies rebuild Iowa infrastructure and pay for response efforts. Eligible entities in 84 counties qualify

for public assistance under the State and FEMA program. To date, the State and FEMA have obligated more than \$641 million in federal and state funds for public assistance projects in Iowa.